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The army under General McClellan has been driven back, merely by the force of overwhelming numbers rapidly concentrated there.

Additional troops are alone necessary to hold the important positions already gained, and speedily crush the rebellion at all points.

Liberally and gallantly as Ohio has heretofore responded to the calls of the President, he has ever been assured, that we had but to know that further aid was needed from us, to insure a prompt answer to any further calls he might make upon us. This knowledge we now have, and the call has also been made.

And now, citizens of Ohio, one and all, shall the call be responded to? Something whispers me that, with one voice, you say it shall be answered.

Arouse, then, and let every man be able to say that he has done his duty.

There is work for all to do. The aged can stimulate the young; the wealthy contribute to the wants and necessities of the destitute; and the ladies, who have already done so much, and whose kind hearts will prompt them in the continuance of their good work, can encourage, by their noble example, both old and young in the performance of this great duty. What is wealth, or even life, worth, if, to preserve either, we have to confess to the world that we are unable to maintain our glorious government?

Gallant and worthy recruiting officers, for the organization of new regiments and the filling up of those already in the field, will be appointed in all portions of the State, and specific instructions given to them.

The enlistments will be for three years, or during the war.

I cannot at this time indicate the number of troops wanted from Ohio, but can safely say that the government will accept all who may offer within the coming forty days.

Promptness and vigilance are indispensable. Forty thousand recruits within the time indicated would be of more service than twice that number at a later period.

The gallant men of the State may rely upon my best endeavors to discharge the highly responsible duties devolving upon me with an eye single to the preservation of our government, and with the sincere hope and belief that, when the great struggle of life shall be over, my children can claim for me an honest and faithful performance of duty.

Invoking the smiles of our Heavenly Father upon our good work,

I am your humble servant, DAVID TOD, *Governor*.